മിസ്റ്റർ എസ്സ്. വെങ്കിടേശ്വരൻ: ഉണ്ടായിരിക്കാം.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. നായർ: ഇപ്പോൾ നെന്മാറയിൽ വിറകിന്റെ ഉപയോഗം എങ്ങിനെ നടക്കുന്നു?

മിസ്റ്റർ എസ്സ്. വെങ്കിടേശ്വരൻ: നെന്മാറയിൽ വിറകിനു തീരെ ക്ഷാമമില്ലെന്നാണറിയുന്നതു.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. എസ്സ്. മണി: നെന്മാറയിൽ കാട്ടുവിറകു കൊണ്ടുവന്നു വില്ക്കുന്നതിനല്ലെ അപേക്ഷിച്ചിരുന്നതു?

മിസ്റ്റർ എസ്സ്. വെങ്കിടേശ്വരൻ: അവിടെ കാട്ടുവിറകു കൊണ്ടുവരാതെതന്നെ അവരുടെ ആവശ്യം നടക്കുന്നുണ്ടു.

Number of questions answered in Council

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi)*: I want to bring to your notice, Sir, that only a very small number of questions are being answered. Today for example only 9 questions have been answered.

Mr. President: I think Hon'ble Members will realise that after the last meeting of the Council only a very few questions have been received.

Rao Sahib K. Ayyappan *(Ezhuvas-Kanayannur)*: Will all the questions be answered during this session.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*: Not all will be answered. Some questions are received late. The information sought for has to be collected.

Rao Sahib K. Ayyappan *(Ezhuvas-Kanayannur)*: What is the proportion of the questions answered?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*: The same as before.

Rao Sahib K. Ayyappan *(Ezhuvas-Kanayannur)*: May we know the probable number of questions received in time?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*: Questions are all received in time. But we want much time to collect the answers.

Rao Sahib K. Ayyappan *(Ezhuvas-Kanayannur)*: Have the Secretary received answers from the Departmental Heads?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*: Yes.

Rao Sahib K. Ayyappan *(Ezhuvas-Kanayannur)*: What is the proportion of questions for which answers have not been received.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*: I want notice.

Rao Sahib K. Ayyappan *(Ezhuvas-Kanayannur)*: This matter was once brought to the notice of the President and the Government was instructed that as far as possible all the questions should be answered.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*: That is the intention.

Mr. President: I will assure the Hon'ble Members that the Government will make every effort to answer as many questions as possible.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction)*: I have received some questions last week. Unfortunately those questions were for satistics from different parts of the State and from different schools and I have had to write to the Government yesterday and the day before to say that it is not humanly possible to collect all these statistics to be answered during this session. Even questions which might have been received about 15 days ago, in such cases also statistics would have to be collected from all over the State. It is often very difficult.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi)*: I had send questions on the 3rd of Thulam. Those questions have not been answered even after six months.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*: I may assure the Hon'ble Members that questions are not intentionally kept back. No purpose is served by that. There are several other ways by which the same point can be brought before the House.

Rao Sahib K. Ayyappan *(Ezhuvas-Kanayannur)*: My point is that the Government may not be taking adequate care.

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: With regard to the Transferred Subjects no questions are coming at present. Formerly a large number of questions came with regard to the Transferred Subjects. Now, virtually that side is blank.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vaakkancheri)*: Therefore, the greater reason why you should answer the questions with regard to the Reserved Half.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*: The number is reduced.

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly

Rao Sahib K. Ayyappan *(Ezhuvas-Kanayannur)*: We do not want the Government to answer unasked questions. *(Laughter)*

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ: ട്രാൻസ്ഫേഡ് ഡിപ്പാർട്ട്മെണ്ടിനെ സംബന്ധിക്കുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങളായതുകൊണ്ട് അതു് ഉത്തരം പറഞ്ഞിരുന്നു. എന്നാൽ ഇതു് റിസർവ്ഡ് ഹാഫിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ചുള്ള ചോദ്യങ്ങൾ എവിടെ വെച്ചിരിക്കുന്നുവെന്നു ഞാൻ ചോദിക്കുന്നു.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi)*: I had sent a question regarding the scarcity of small coins six months before. It is not answered even now.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*: There is absolutely no difficulty to answer a question regarding the scarcity of small coins.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi)*: Why was it not answered.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*: I can assure the Hon'ble Member that it is not intentional, Perhaps it might have been mis-laid.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS—GOVERNMENT BILLS

(1) The Cochin Registration of Literary, Scientific and Charitable Societies Act Amendment Bill —*(cont.)*

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*: Sir, I move that the Cochin Registration of Literary, Scientific and Charitable Societies' Act (Amendment Bill) be taken up and finally passed.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General)*: I second it.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi)*: I oppose it.

Point of Order

No. 1 Right to oppose a bill at the third reading

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: Sir, on a point of Order. A bill at the third reading is not opposed and this House has never done that till now. The third reading is intended, according to the convention of this House, for some drafting amendments. The Bill cannot be opposed as a whole. I raise this point of order for the ruling of the Chair.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: The hon'ble member seems to be taking a wrong view of things.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi)*: The Bill can be thrown out at any stage. I can take advantage of that.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur)*: Regarding Mr. Iyyu's point of order I may bring to the notice of the Hon'ble House that in the Debt Concilation Act Amendment Bill even in the 3rd reading we opposed it. So the precedent he quotes is not correct.

Mr. President: The hon'ble member can oppose the motion.

Point of Order No. 2. Right of members to make speeches at third reading of bills

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi)*: Sir,.....

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*: The Hon'ble Member cannot make a speech. In that case I must be given an opportunity to answer.

Mr. President: I do not think that a regular speech is proper.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*: Then it will be a regular discussion and the Government will have to answer.

Mr. President: The hon'ble member had a full opportunity to express his views at the second reading and therefore I rule that he cannot make a speech.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi)*: I obey the Chair. But I beg to submit that we have a right to make speeches even at the third reading.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkanaheri)*: Sir, I want a definite ruling of the Chair whether at the third reading of a bill the members have or have not a right of speech. That is the point that we like to know from the Chair. I respectfully submit that it will be an infringement of the rights of the House.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*; Then we must also reply if the Hon'ble Members have a right to speak.

Mr. President: It is the the convention of the house that there shall not be a discussion.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassnn *(Vadakkancheri)*: The mere fact that no bill was hitherto opposed at the third reading does not mean that we have not the right todo that. Each bill has to be considered on its own merits.

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly